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**OF THE MEETING OF THE**  
**CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY**  
**TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**  
**AUGUST 19, 2002**

Lyda Harrell, Ward 4, Chairman

**MEMBERS**

Phil Tow, Ward 1  
David Burja, Ward 2  
David Miller, Ward 3  
Bob Nix, Ward 5  
Louis Gonzales, Ward 6  
Delphine Pilate, Ward 7  
Leamon Freeman, Ward 8  
Milford J. Clayton, At-Large

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

Sheila Dees, P.E., Secretary  
Amy Douglas, Attorney  
Lt. Dennis Buckley, OCPD  
Lt. Robert Sipe, OCPD  
Sgt. R. D. Pratt, OCPD

**I. CALL TO ORDER.**

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chairman Lyda Harrell, Ward 4.

All members were present at the meeting, with the exception of Commissioner David Burja, Ward 2.

**II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 15th, 2002, MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION.**

- MOTION by Commissioner Freeman and SECOND by Commissioner Clayton to APPROVE the Minutes of the July 15, 2002 meeting. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

**III. REPORT ON LICENSED TAXI AND WRECKER SERVICES, Sgt. R. D. Pratt, Oklahoma City Police Department.**

Sgt. Pratt stated there was a complaint about a limo company that has been operating in Oklahoma City without a license and this company is called VIP Limo out of Tulsa. He stated they have been issued a citation from an officer for operating without a license and they have talked to the owner on the telephone and are trying to bring this company into compliance with Oklahoma City ordinances in regards to operating this limo in Oklahoma City. He stated they have been informed not to operate their limos until they become licensed. He stated apparently they have been in contact with City Licensing and are trying to get the paperwork in order.

Sgt. Pratt stated the second item is a complaint against Yellow Cab. He stated that recently a cab driver ran into a lady's garage door which caused damage to the garage door and the car inside the garage. The driver was terminated by Yellow Cab. Yellow Cab replaced the citizen's garage door and gave her a car to drive until she could get hers fixed. He stated this is a civil matter between Yellow Cab and the citizen and they are working this out. He stated he feels that Yellow Cab is handling this appropriately so far.

Sgt. Pratt stated the third item is a complaint from Car Cab Wrecker in which police dispatch sent Sammy's Wrecker to a call on Reno that should have gone to Car Cab. Car Cab ultimately ended up with this call anyway, but as of right now they are trying to investigate this incident. Sgt. Pratt stated he has been in contact with Sgt. Joe Hill at dispatch and they're trying to pull up that call to see what happened and why the dispatcher sent Sammy's Wrecker when apparently they should have sent Car Cab Wrecker. He stated they're looking at the boundaries on that also and it is currently under investigation.

Sgt. Pratt stated also it was brought to his attention today from a Traffic Commissioner that some district wreckers, in particular a Sammy's Wrecker driver and a Car Cab Wrecker driver, were dispatched out on a police call and were in shorts and a t-shirt when they should be in a uniform. He stated he will take this matter under advisement and be in contact with both of these wrecker companies as soon as he is done here today and tell them that they have to be in uniform as per their agreement with the City.

Commissioner Nix asked Sgt. Pratt if both wrecker companies drivers were in shorts and t-shirts.

Sgt. Pratt stated that is the report he has, one driver from Sammy's was on a call in shorts and a t-shirt and then a separate incident occurred with a Car Cab Wrecker driver.

Commissioner Nix stated they were already aware of this, right?

Sgt. Pratt stated oh yes, it's in their agreement. He stated every time he inspects them or they come to his office they're in uniform.

Commissioner Nix stated every time they inspect them they are too.

Sgt. Pratt stated he will be in contact to make sure they understand that just because they're called out from home on a call they still have to be in uniform.

Chairman Harrell asks if anyone else has anymore questions for Sgt. Pratt.

#### **IV. CONSENT DOCKET.**

Leo J, Mendus, 3612 Altadena Avenue. He stated he is speaking on Item IV.A.2. He fully agrees with Item #1 and would like to propose that they add removal of signs on both sides of the street because you cannot park on either side of the street at any time. He stated as far as Item #2 "Do Not Enter between 7:30 and 8:30 am and 2:30 to 3:30 pm" he doesn't think it would be a problem for the school's traffic if they could convince the parents when they're picking up their children to follow the traffic guidelines the school has already set forth, which is basically for kindergarten to pull up on the west side of Altadena Avenue and all the rest of the kids are picked up in the school parking lot. He stated if the parents would adhere to that then there wouldn't be much of a traffic problem there at all.

Ms. Dees stated Commissioner Burja called in today because he was unable to attend. She stated he also thought maybe it should be no parking anytime on both sides, however, the west side is all that is on the agenda today so that's all they can vote on today. Ms. Dees stated the request for the do not enter for one hour in the morning and one hour in the evening was at the request of the school to help with their circulation. She stated that is only two hours a day Monday through Friday and that it would definitely help the school.

Commissioner Freeman asked what would be the problem if that were approved.

Mr. Mendus stated the only thing he could see is that there are a number of people, including him, that actually use that road quite a bit a day. He stated it wouldn't be an impossible convenience for him to drive around the other direction, but it would put more traffic in the rest of the neighborhood that children are walking through instead of him getting out to NW 36<sup>th</sup> Street and out of the way.

Ms. Dees stated this is something they have done at a number of schools. She stated it only takes one car going the opposite direction of the parents to completely stop up the street when school is out especially. Ms. Dees stated this really improves the safety of the children.

Mr. Mendus stated he would like to bring up that Monday through Friday at the same times there are "Do Not Enter" signs exiting Villa Avenue heading eastbound on NW 35<sup>th</sup> Street. He stated those signs are in place and have been in place, but it is not enforced at all. He stated he isn't sure what these signs would do either. He stated if they had enforcement out there for a short period of time it might help with the traffic problem. He stated the signs aren't working in the other direction so he's wondering what good it might do in this direction.

Ms. Dees stated she appreciates Mr. Mendus bringing to their attention that they need enforcement and she will request enforcement for that area.

Wayne Simpson, 2000 S. May Avenue, Manager of Scheduling for Metro Transit. He stated he is speaking on Item IV.G.2. He stated he would like to express his concerns on the passenger loading zones on Oklahoma Avenue between Sheridan Avenue and Reno Avenue. He stated presently their blue line trolley cannot get through if you have vehicles parked there for long periods of time. He stated this creates congestion all along in there. He stated this area is not very wide and cars are not pulled all the way to the curb, and even if they are the trolleys are just barely able to get through. He stated he has to wonder also about emergency vehicles whether they can get through at all either if they're as wide as their trolleys are. He stated they're not totally against the parking there it's that they are concerned that the vehicles are continually moving so that they're not sitting there a long time and blocking the routes. He stated presently on a Saturday night 700-800 people ride the trolleys and they get tied up down there and can't get through. They have to re-route the trolleys and people don't know where they're going because of obstacles in their way. He stated they wanted to express their concerns in keeping the vehicles moving all the time.

Ms. Dees stated Traffic Management concurs that on Item IV.G.2. the street was not intended to have on-street parking when it was constructed across the canal, and that it could cause congestion within the area and has been reported to her office on numerous occasions when that has caused congestion. Traffic Management has no objections to the other items on IV.G.

- MOTION by Commissioner Tow and SECOND by Commissioner Freeman to PULL Item IV.G.2. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

Marcia Hunzicker, 425 NW 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Oklahoma City. She is speaking on Item IV.A. She stated she wanted to be sure it states "No Parking Anytime" on the west side. She asked if that would include the towing zone, no stopping, parking, standing signs.

Ms. Dees stated the no parking signs are the no stopping and standing signs.

Ms. Hunzicker stated there is one handicap place there and she didn't know as far as taxpayers were concerned, but if they wanted to apply for a couple more handicap spaces would it save the taxpayers money if you used some of those poles for the handicap spaces.

Ms. Dees stated that was not in the original request and will have to be re-presented to the Traffic Commission.

Ms. Hunzicker stated so you would take these signs down and then go back in and pay to have the poles put back up if you did have to put the handicap signs up.

Ms. Dees stated that would just be one additional pole and the pole that is there is probably not in the proper location anyway. She stated it would probably be a relocation of a pole.

Ms. Hunzicker stated they really do need this passed because of special needs children.

Ms. Dees stated that is the motion on the floor.

Baron Hopgood. He is speaking on Item IV.G.2. He is one of the owners and operators of the valet in Bricktown. He stated he was wondering if there was anyway they could come to an agreement on Item IV.G.2., which is off of the canal by Bourbon Street where the City can push back the curb to create a passenger loading and unloading zone.

Ms. Dees stated are you asking for additional construction to be installed in that area?

Mr. Hopgood stated yes m'am.

Ms. Dees stated that is not for the Traffic Commission to decide. She stated that would be something they would have to get private development plans on and someone else would have to pay for the construction.

Mr. Hopgood stated his next question is, is there anyway they would reconsider this item. He stated Item IV.G.2. is not going to be voted upon today and unloading zone there and if he could he would like to explain the procedures that are there on the weekend. He stated he is there every weekend and knows how the traffic flows and how much space is available for a trolley to get through there. He stated that is the reason he's asking for a passenger loading and unloading zone. He stated it has already been removed without hearing any concerns on the opposite party that is requesting this and he was wondering if there was anyway they could resend this item.

Commissioner Tow stated Madam Chairman didn't we call from the floor if anybody had some concerns and nobody spoke up.

Chairman Harrell stated they did.

Ms. Dees stated to Mr. Hopgood that she would be glad to visit with him about getting some kind of curb construction going on after the meeting today.

Mr. Hopgood thanked Ms. Dees.

Walt Wilhelm, Supervisor Corporate Security, PO Box 321, 73101-0321. He is speaking on Item IV.E. for OG&E. He stated it was their intention to request that Broadway Avenue between SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and SW 4<sup>th</sup> Street have no parking on the east side of the street. He stated the docket reflects the west side. He stated he doesn't know if that can be amended at this time or what the resolution might be. He asked if he had to institute the process again to get it placed on the docket.

Ms. Dees stated if they already have a motion on there she'll look at his letter and give him a call after the meeting and they'll have to put it back on the docket next month because it says west side on their docket.

Commissioner Freeman moves that Item IV.E.1. be removed from the docket today and placed on next month's docket for the east side instead of the west side.

- MOTION by Commissioner Freeman and SECOND by Commissioner Clayton to APPROVE the Consent Docket after REMOVING Item IV.E.1. and Item IV.G.2. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

**V. STOP SIGNS RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL.**

- A. William H. Drake, 1116 NW 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, 73118 and Petitioners. (Ward 2)  
Consider the installation of four-way stop signs at the intersection of Military Avenue and NW 43<sup>rd</sup> Street.

Mr. Drake stated he would like to speak on this item.

Ms. Dees stated the last accident at this location was in 2000. She stated there was no petition submitted and the volume counts do not meet the needs for stop signs at this location. She stated that is why Traffic Management recommended denial of the stop signs.

Mr. Drake stated even though the traffic doesn't necessarily meet the needs, he really thinks that just having the two yield signs is confusing to people. He stated one of the main reasons they don't have traffic accidents a lot, is because people just barely miss each other and the second reason is most people just go ahead and stop anyway. He stated this is a residential area sandwiched between two very busy streets and some people try to speed through. He stated he doesn't want to stop the traffic particularly knowing that won't happen, but he would like to get people to stop and slow down a little bit.

Ms. Dees stated the study did not indicate a speeding problem on this street or a high volume of traffic either when the traffic study was done.

Mr. Drake stated it is a residential area and he would appreciate if the Traffic Commission would go ahead and approve this.

He stated it wouldn't hurt because it's a low volume and like he said it is a neighborhood and there are children that do play in the streets.

Ms. Dees stated she talked to Commissioner Burja this morning and he did not see a need for a four-way stop sign at this location either.

Commissioner Tow stated to Mr. Drake that their study shows that the 85 percentile is only 22 mph. He stated that does say something for the neighborhood. He stated he doesn't have a speeding problem there, so he doesn't see a need for it.

Mr. Drake stated his neighborhood is getting more and more run down and he thought the stop signs would help in several ways and help the neighborhood feel more secure in that respect also.

Commissioner Tow asked if he had a neighborhood association.

Mr. Drake stated it is very shaky. He stated they haven't had a meeting in several months. He stated they have a 50% rental rate in the neighborhood and it would be nice if the neighborhood was more like a neighborhood instead of a raceway between the two streets. He stated even though it doesn't seem like it to the Commission, to them that live there it gets a little busy sometimes. He stated even the owner of the restaurant at 4315 N. Western agreed that it would be a good idea to have stop signs instead of yield signs.

- MOTION by Commissioner Tow and SECOND by Commissioner Pilate to APPROVE the Stop Signs Recommended for Denial Docket. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

## **VI. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION.**

- A. Bernadino Hernandez, Owner, Chicago Limousine Service, 2437 SW 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, 73119 (All Wards).  
Consider a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for Chicago Limousine Service to operate one (1) vehicle in limousine service.

Ms. Dees stated all the paperwork seemed to be in order and staff recommends consideration.

Sgt. Pratt stated this individual or company has not been in contact with him and he has never heard of them before this docket, so he has not inspected their vehicle.

Commissioner Nix stated they don't want to make any judgement on it until it has been inspected.

- MOTION by Commissioner Nix and SECOND by Commissioner Clayton to DEFER Item VI.A. for one month. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

B. Dee Doty, 7317 NW 107<sup>th</sup> Street, 73162. (Wards 1 and 8)  
Consider lowering the speed limit on Hefner Road between Rockwell Avenue and Council Road, from 45 mph to 40 mph.

Ms. Dees stated the 85 percentile speed checks do not support the lowering of the existing speed limit. Staff recommends denial.

Dee Doty, 7317 NW 107<sup>th</sup> Street. She stated her family has lived on this street for the past 12 years. She stated it used to be a two-lane street. She stated there are now 40 homes in a 4/10<sup>th</sup> mile area and an elementary school that has an enrollment between 450-600 children. She stated the traffic on this street is unbelievable. She stated when the traffic study was done it was before school was in session. She stated PC North is within half a mile of this area. She stated she lost 17 feet of her backyard which backs up to Hefner Road. She stated she used to have a big ditch. She stated she personally, at her home, has had two cars come through her backyard. She stated one was at 2:00 am, which came all the way into her backyard because of excessive speed. She stated there are 40 homes, an elementary school, a senior citizen assisted living center, a senior citizen care home and a post office that is non-stop traffic. She stated she really feels like this one mile should be 40 mph. She stated from MacArthur Boulevard to Rockwell Avenue it is 40 mph, then from Rockwell Avenue to Council Road it goes up to 45 mph (with the 40 homes and the elementary school), then from Council Road all the way out to NW Expressway it is back down to 40 mph.

She stated in front of Hefner Middle School, which is just two miles away, it is 40 mph. She stated she thinks for the safety of everyone, there needs to be consistency in this area. She stated she was weed-eating her backyard last night and it was frightening. She stated she has two sons that have graduated from PC North.

She knows what these kids drive like because she has lived there for 12 years. She stated they need to be slowed down. She stated she is glad she doesn't have young children there anymore because it is scary when you're back there and you hear these cars whizzing by so fast. She stated she is not a cranky citizen, but she has asked for patrol out there. She stated these are residential homes and they need a proper speed out there. She stated she thinks to be consistent with the area she thinks it should be lowered to 40 mph.

Commissioner Freeman stated he agrees with Ms. Doty. He stated it doesn't make any sense to him to have a 40 mph speed limit over to Rockwell Avenue from MacArthur Boulevard on a four-lane road, and then have it 45 mph when you get to MacArthur Boulevard on a two-lane road. He stated there are a lot of businesses going in there. He stated Walgreens has gone in on the corner and it's building more and more through there. He stated his granddaughter went to school at Hefner Elementary School. He stated he has expressed his opinion before that he doesn't think any speed should be over 40 mph in a residential area. He stated that is his feeling but he'll see if anyone has any questions before he makes a motion.

Commissioner Tow stated he would like to see some consistencies out there in the speed limits. He stated like Commissioner Freeman pointed out and Ms. Doty, he doesn't see 40 mph and then 45 mph and then back to 40 mph. He stated they do need consistency in this area.

- MOTION by Commissioner Freeman and SECOND by Commissioner Pilate to APPROVE Item VI.B. with SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

In regards to Special Enforcement, Officer Sipe stated they have been working Hefner Road and Rockwell Avenue for the last month and they'll continue to do that until the end of September.

Officer Sipe stated the speed limit is 45 mph west of the Hefner and Rockwell intersection, and they do cruise along pretty good through there. He stated they'll continue to work that and as a matter of fact he just left there before he came here today.

- C. Traffic Commission (Wards 2 and 7)  
Consider lowering the speed limit on Britton Road from Broadway Extension to Shartel Avenue, from 40 mph to 35 mph.

Ms. Dees stated this item stems from last month's meeting when a request was made to lower the speed limit. Staff recommends consideration. Ms. Dees stated Commissioner Burja called in and he is in favor of this.

- MOTION by Commissioner Pilate and SECOND by Commissioner Freeman to APPROVE Item VI.C. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

- D. Julie Giles, 201 Magnolia Blossom Court, Yukon, 73099. (Ward 3)  
Consider lowering the speed limit on Czech Hall Road from I-40 to SW 15<sup>th</sup> Street, from 45 mph to 35 mph.

Ms. Dees stated the 85 percentile speed checks do not support the lowering of the existing speed limit. Staff recommends denial.

- MOTION by Commissioner Miller and SECOND by Commissioner Tow to DENY Item VI.D. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

- E. Leonard E. Sullivan, 4117 NW 122<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite B, 73120. (Ward 3)  
Consider the removal of the existing "No Trucks in Excess of Two Axles" signs on Roff Avenue between SW 44<sup>th</sup> Street and SW 38<sup>th</sup> Street.

Ms. Dees stated the applicant owns the property on the west side of Roff Avenue and wants to develop it.

Ms. Dees stated the existing truck restrictions on Roff Avenue from SW 44<sup>th</sup> Street to Newcastle Road were installed in July 1966. The Airport Trust bought out the residences along Roff Avenue from SW 44<sup>th</sup> Street to ½ block north of SW 40<sup>th</sup> Street and all of the residences west of Roff Avenue and SW 40<sup>th</sup> Street. Staff cannot support the removal of the restrictions beyond SW 40<sup>th</sup> Place, this would allow trucks access into the residential area. Staff recommends consideration.

Bill Hice, 3849 SW 40<sup>th</sup> Place, Oklahoma City, 73119. He stated he is concerned with the removal of this truck sign because a lot of kids play up and down this street. He stated if you give them a free hand with trucks going up and down the street, they're going to be going all the way through the street from SW 44<sup>th</sup> Street to Newcastle Road and there are a lot of kids that live in that area. He stated he lives on the corner of SW 40<sup>th</sup> Place. He stated they don't want to see big trucks coming through there and tearing up the street. He stated they have a problem keeping the street fixed up now. He stated if they go in off of SW 41<sup>st</sup> Street that would be alright.

Commissioner Miller stated to Mr. Hice that he visited that area yesterday and noticed the area to the west side of him is not developed, does not have a curb or no storm sewers. Commissioner Miller stated the reason he noted that was because at Mr. Hice's corner there are the remnants of the last rain we had a week ago. Commissioner Miller stated it looks like it floods significantly right there at that intersection. He asked Mr. Hice if that was correct.

Mr. Hice stated yes that was correct.

Commissioner Miller thanked Mr. Hice.

Norma J. Cook, 3813 SW 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Oklahoma City. Ms. Cook stated she has a letter from a neighbor who lives on the corner of SW 38<sup>th</sup> Street and Roff Avenue. She stated the neighbor did not receive a notice until Friday and could not make arrangements with her work to get off, so she left Ms. Cook a letter to speak for her. Ms. Cook stated she personally petitioned to get the signs for "No Trucks in Excess of Two Axles" on her street. Ms. Cook stated what is to keep the large trucks from going on down.

She stated she knows part of Roff Avenue is not developed on the west side because she takes her walk that way everyday. She stated on north to Newcastle Road, what is to keep the big trucks from going on down that way or turning on SW 38<sup>th</sup> Street and going down her street. She stated she is opposed to the big traffic in that neighborhood. She stated they have children who play in the street and cars that park in the street. She stated she has personally taken tag numbers and called companies that violated this two axle sign on her street. She stated the letter she has is from Ila Avanoë and her address is 3844 SW 38<sup>th</sup> Street. She stated she has this letter if anyone would like it.

Commissioner Nix asks Ms. Cook if she petitioned for this sign.

Ms. Cook stated yes, quite some time ago. She stated she has lived there 41 years.

Commissioner Nix stated the sign was placed in 1966.

Ms. Cook stated Ila Avanoë has lived there for 46 years.

Commissioner Nix thanks Ms. Cook.

Leonard Sullivan, 4117 NW 122<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite B, Oklahoma City. Mr. Sullivan passes out some pictures to the Traffic Commission. He stated as you can see from the photo he has on the front of this, he's been working on this property six or eight years. He stated Mr. Pete Earls and his wife are the owners of the property for over 25 years. He stated he has been familiar with this and other realtors have had this property listed. He stated he has looked at it for about six years prior to the time he has had it listed for at least the last 10 or 12 years. He stated he is very familiar with that property and he has shown it dozens of times. He stated there was never a sign on that property until last week and that is the reason he provided the picture. He stated he has been going out there for at least 12 years and there was never a sign on that property restricting two axle vehicles. He stated he has shown that property, which is zoned industrial, to several major corporations and he came close to selling it to a major corporation to put industrial projects on there, one of which was a major warehousing project. He stated he thinks it would be extremely embarrassing for Oklahoma City if he had sold that property to a national company such as a mini General Motors Company, then suddenly find out that Oklahoma City did not notify the public that the property was restricted to two axles vehicles. He stated secondly that property was zoned industrial before the two axle vehicle signs were put up. He stated he doesn't know when and how they were put up, but this property was zoned a long time before the two axle signs were put up.

He stated, also Oklahoma City forced Mr. Earls to zone this property industrial when they tore all the houses to the south for airport safety. They did not want houses built there so it was forced to be industrial. He stated he thinks at this late date after Oklahoma City has zoned this property as industrial, you can't come back and deny Mr. Earls access to this property. He stated this would probably last about 30 seconds in district court. He stated you even have common law in Oklahoma that you cannot block people from private property. He stated Mr. Earls has his property zoned as industrial and you cannot keep him from getting to it with a truck regardless of how many signs you put up there. He stated it was only by chance that he discovered this from a man who had been renting it from Mr. Earls for the last several years and kept his ponies on there and he asked him how he would get trucks on this property.

Mr. Sullivan stated he supposed down the street and the man stated that this street is restricted to two axle trucks. He stated he didn't know that and the renter stated there should have been signs up because there was one several years ago. Mr. Sullivan stated the public was not notified of this and Mr. Earls was not notified. Mr. Earls told Mr. Sullivan he had the property industrial zoned prior to the fact that these signs went up. Mr. Sullivan stated the City cannot restrict access to his industrial property by putting up a sign. Mr. Sullivan stated he would encourage the Commission to pass this without further embarrassment to Oklahoma City, or to Mr. Earls who owns the property and the additional expense of going to district court.

Commissioner Miller stated on page 4 of the handout Mr. Sullivan distributed, there is a road that extends south off of Newcastle Road to the property.

Mr. Sullivan stated Roff Avenue is the north/south street from Newcastle Road to SW 44<sup>th</sup> Street.

Commissioner Miller stated on his map it shows a street in the center of the piece of property in the center of that 40 acres coming to the south.

Commissioner Nix asked what street that was.

Mr. Sullivan stated Roff Avenue is the street that goes in front of the property.

Commissioner Freeman stated Commissioner Miller was talking about the one on the handout that is right in the middle of the property.

Commissioner Nix asked if that was a platted street as far as Oklahoma City was concerned.

Mr. Sullivan stated if that street was there he was not aware of it.

Ms. Cook stated there is a street that comes south off of Newcastle Road about a block west of Roff Avenue.

Commissioner Miller stated on their map that shows to be Shawnee Avenue.

Ms. Cook stated there are people who live there, but it is only accessible from Newcastle Road.

Mr. Sullivan stated he was not aware of that street.

Commissioner Miller stated well you distributed the map to us.

Mr. Sullivan stated he was not aware that it went to the property because you can't hardly get down that street and he's never gone down it to see exactly where it ended.

Amy Douglas asks if the Commissioners remember what the ordinance says on axle restrictions. She stated it doesn't necessarily prohibit all vehicles in excess of two axles. She stated it does allow them. She stated vehicles with more than two axles may be operated or parked on said street for the purpose of delivering or picking up materials or merchandise and then only by entering such street at the intersection nearest the destination of the vehicle and proceeding no further than the nearest intersection thereafter. She stated even if there are axle restriction signs up there they are not necessarily completely prohibited.

Commissioner Nix stated are you saying that it could be grandfathered where they could do it at a later date even though there was nothing there for them to deliver to.

Amy Douglas stated she didn't understand what he was asking.

Commissioner Nix stated there is nothing there now and there is 40 acres, but there is a sign up that says it's restricted. He asked Amy Douglas if she was saying if they sold it and they put a warehouse or commercial property of some kind in there could they have access on that street.

Amy Douglas stated yes they can, that is what the ordinance says. She stated even if you have an axle restriction it will allow vehicles in excess of two axles for the purpose of delivering or picking up materials or merchandise, and then you have to enter the closest to your destination and exit.

Commissioner Nix stated his question is will that go into effect even though it is not being used as a commercial property at this time. He stated say the property was sold and they put something in it.

Amy Douglas stated that doesn't matter. She stated there are already axle restrictions on the street and Mr. Sullivan is asking for it to be removed, so the ordinance is in effect right now.

Ms. Dees stated Mr. Sullivan was provided a copy of the ordinance before he submitted the letter to Traffic Commission.

Mr. Sullivan stated the reason he submitted the letter, was because according to all the attorneys he consulted with, that you cannot deny the two axle restriction but says you can have trucks to and from for the operation of business.

He stated he just wanted to get this cleared up before they built a million dollar building.

Amy Douglas stated she believes Mr. Sullivan mis-represented that earlier when he was saying that he was denied complete access which was not true.

Mr. Sullivan stated again he didn't want to build a million dollar building and then find out that they couldn't have access to it.

Commissioner Miller stated what the law states is that they can't use that as a thoroughfare. Commissioner Miller stated they have access to the property, but no further.

Mr. Sullivan stated the property is 1320 feet north and south. He stated it goes up to 37<sup>th</sup> Street.

Commissioner Miller stated the residential area extends further north then it does south. He stated there have been homes vacated as Mr. Sullivan's map shows and there are also homes vacated on the east side of Roff Avenue. He stated if they allowed access to the property down as far as 41<sup>st</sup> Street there would be no reason to go all the way to SW 38<sup>th</sup> Street as Mr. Sullivan has asked for.

Mr. Sullivan stated well there would be. He stated he is only buying six acres which is about the south one third of the property. He stated Mr. Earls would have no access to the remainder of his property if he sold that to another buyer.

Commissioner Nix stated so the whole 40 acres isn't being sold together.

Mr. Sullivan stated no sir. He is just buying six acres for a project.

Commissioner Freeman stated in reference to the map that Mr. Sullivan handed out shows access to the entire 40 acres from the north off of Newcastle Road.

Mr. Sullivan apologized for that. He stated he has never seen that street. He stated he has been out in that area but has never driven down that street to see where it goes. He stated he is buying the south part of the property so he still wouldn't have access to his property.

Commissioner Miller stated what is the disposition of the property that was vacated by the airport.

Mr. Sullivan stated that is owned by the Airport Trust and they won't sell it to any commercial user for any reason unless it was something that would enhance the airport services, such as a Fed Ex.

Commissioner Miller stated so there is no possibility of an easement across that property.

Mr. Sullivan stated no sir.

Commissioner Miller asked if there would ever be any development on that property.

Mr. Sullivan stated the Airport Trust stated unless there was something that came in the future that airport needed such as a Fed Ex or something that would enhance the use of the airport. He stated at the same token they have two streets that dead end into Roff Avenue also, so they would have the same problem he has they couldn't use it either.

Chairman Harrell asked if you could build in a flight zone.

Mr. Sullivan stated yes, and the only restriction on this property is that a building can't be over 46 feet high. He stated they can build a building tomorrow and start driving back and forth, he just didn't want somebody to file a lawsuit after a million dollar building has been built. He stated he doesn't want somebody to say they can't drive down that street. He stated he would just like it to be resolved today to avoid a dispute in the future.

Commissioner Freeman stated Mr. Sullivan is absolutely right in that you cannot keep him from having access to the property, but he doesn't think that would require opening that street up all the way through to truck traffic. He stated it could certainly be limited from the south part of the property going south and then leave the restrictions in effect from that point north, because the rest of the property there is accessible from Newcastle Road. Commissioner Freeman stated another possibility might be if the seller would give him access from that street on down to the south side of the property.

Mr. Sullivan stated the problem with that is that the street would cost more than the property is worth. He stated the property would not have enough value to support the street. He stated you would actually have to improve it from Newcastle Road all the way down. He stated there are cars and trucks parked on the street. He stated he did not realize that was a street, but to make that go all the way south to this property would just not work according to the numbers. Mr. Sullivan stated the other thing is the petition says SW 38<sup>th</sup> Street and the property actually goes to SW 37<sup>th</sup> Street and they're not complaining about the fact that the last block of property would not have access. He stated in the future they could sell it and just make a large enough tract that would go that far south. He stated this first piece of property they have sold the contract has already been done and it doesn't reach that far north.

He stated they would just like to get this thing resolved today so they can start their building. He stated the other part of this thing is the City would give a building permit on this and that's when he discovered this. He stated the building permit department would not deny the building permit right now even though the Commission is saying he can't have access to it. He stated really the thing doesn't jive business wise or otherwise.

Ms. Dees stated the Permits Counter has not contacted them regarding this so they have not denied building of anything.

Mr. Sullivan stated the Permits Counter told him they had no control over the traffic.

Ms. Dees stated that is right but they have not discussed this and doesn't think they're holding up any building permits.

Mr. Sullivan stated he discovered this by accident and made the inquiry.

Commissioner Freeman asked Mr. Sullivan to be kind enough to let Ms. Dees finish what she is saying before he interrupts her and we can all understand it much better.

Ms. Dees stated the Permits Counter has not contacted them so they have not held up any building permits. She stated it is their understanding with the ordinance in place and the signs in place, he still has access to his property.

Commissioner Miller asked Chairman Harrell if there is anyone else to speak on this because Mr. Sullivan has had his five minutes worth.

Chairman Harrell asks if there is anyone else to speak on this item.

Commissioner Miller stated he visited this area yesterday and from SW 40<sup>th</sup> Street all the way north the west side of the street is not developed, no curbs, no drainage. He stated the road south of there from SW 40<sup>th</sup> Street to Airport Road or 44<sup>th</sup> Street as it comes across there, is not in the best shape right now as well. He stated he feels if they lifted those restrictions the truck traffic would not be good along there. He stated they take its toll on the road already and he moves for denial.

- MOTION by Commissioner Miller and SECOND by Commissioner Gonzales to DENY Item VI.E. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

F. Larry D. Dodd, Claims Representative, The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, 8401 N. Eastern Avenue, 73149. (Ward 6)  
Consider the installation of north/south stop signs at the railroad grade crossing located in the 900 block of S. McKinley Avenue.

Ms. Dees reported the MUTCD 2000 and the manual supports the installation of stop signs at low-volume grade crossings. Staff recommends consideration.

Larry D. Dodd, 8401 S. Eastern Avenue, Oklahoma City. Mr. Dodd stated they submitted this request based on the fact that state and federal law requires the replacement of the standard cross-buck sign which the crossing is equipped with. He stated the cross-buck sign is equivalent to a yield right-of-way sign and state law requires that motorists shall stop no less than 15 and no more than 50 feet from said crossing, when a train is in hazardous proximity and it indicates its proximity by the sound of the whistle. He stated because of the curve of the road and as the map shows particularly coming from the south going north, the motorists are required to negotiate a pretty substantial curve there and they feel that placing the advanced stop signs at that crossing would slow the motorists down. He stated at that point there have been a number of industrial warehouses built in that area which somewhat blocks motorists' view of the crossing. He stated they feel that a stop sign provides protection for the motoring public as well as their trains that pass through the area.

Commissioner Gonzales asks if there is anyone there opposed to this.

- MOTION by Commissioner Gonzales and SECOND by Commissioner Miller to APPROVE Item VI.F. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

G. Violet Longacre, Parkview Village Apartments, 2211 S. Kentucky Place, 73108. (Ward 6)  
Consider the installation of "No Parking Anytime" signs in the 2200 block of S. Kentucky Place, both sides, on each side of the trash dumpsters.

Ms. Dees reported that Staff reviewed the location and did find a dumpster in the 2200 block. There are several dumpsters located on each of the four streets – SW 20<sup>th</sup>, SW 21<sup>st</sup>, Mehl and Kentucky Place. Staff would recommend this item be deferred one month to ascertain where the NPAT zones could be located.

Violet Longacre, 2211 S. Kentucky Place, Oklahoma City. She stated she sent in a map and she knows it could be a little confusing. She stated the dumpsters are located on City streets on City curbs. She stated there is more than one dumpster location. She stated it is a 240 unit duplex property.

Ms. Dees asked Ms. Longacre if she provided the Commission with this map today.

Ms. Longacre stated Commissioner Gonzales picked them up earlier today. She stated he came out and they drove the property and looked at the area.

Ms. Dees stated they can only vote on the one that they have on the agenda today so they're going to have to put this back on the agenda because they did not have this information.

Commissioner Gonzales stated he got this information this morning so they would need to modify the request to include the other streets where the dumpsters are.

Ms. Longacre asked if she would need to send in a new request.

Ms. Dees stated they could just modify the existing one now that they have the map.

- MOTION by Commissioner Freeman and SECOND by Commissioner Clayton to DEFER Item VI.G. for 30 days. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

- H. Paula Morrow, Mesta Park Traffic Committee, 708 NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street, 73103. (Ward 6)  
Consider the installation of multi-way stop signs at the following intersections:
1. Shartel Avenue and NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street (north intersection), installation of three-way stop signs;
  2. Lee Avenue and NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street, installation of four-way stop signs;
  3. Lee Avenue and NW 19<sup>th</sup> Street, installation of four-way stop signs; and
  4. Shartel Avenue and NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street (south intersection), installation of "No Right Turn" sign for northbound traffic.

Ms. Dees stated in Ms. Morrow's letter there are several other requests for pavement markings and/or other items that they did not put on the agenda because they were in-house cleanups that they could do. Staff would recommend the installation of the multi-way stop signs, but would recommend the denial of the "No Right Turn" sign at Shartel Avenue and NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street. Staff recommends approval of Items 1, 2 & 3 and denial of Item 4.

Paula Morrow, 708 NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Oklahoma City. She asked which item was going to be denied.

Ms. Dees stated Item 4, the "No Right Turn" at Shartel and NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street.

Ms. Morrow stated she would like to speak on behalf of that intersection. She stated that intersection traffic which comes from downtown uses it as a throughway to NW 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and she believes she has received a ticket for running a stop sign, not at NW 18<sup>th</sup> and Shartel, but farther up NW 22<sup>nd</sup> and Shartel. She stated people do run that stop sign at NW 18<sup>th</sup> and Shartel. She stated the traffic comes from downtown and goes fast through that intersection. She stated a couple of years ago they finally got it into a four-way stop sign. She stated there are children who come to the park and she doesn't know what the solution is.

Commissioner Freeman asked Ms. Morrow what was her objection to people turning right going northbound off of NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street onto Shartel Avenue.

Ms. Morrow stated she wasn't sure what he meant. She stated they're denying Item 4, which would be a no right turn.

Commissioner Freeman asked if that was off of NW 18<sup>th</sup> onto Shartel Avenue.

Ms. Morrow stated it was a weird intersection with a little triangle. She stated Shartel Avenue comes around and then turns.

She stated it's a very tricky intersection to understand. She stated she doesn't know but possibly at least make that intersection a no right turn during rush hour. She stated there is a definite problem with NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street and NW 19<sup>th</sup> Street. She stated at NW 19<sup>th</sup> and Shartel Avenue is where a lot of people go through that four-way stop sign that exists already. She stated they're kind of related. She stated NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street and Shartel Avenue, both a little north and the south part of that intersection where the trolley park is, effects NW 19<sup>th</sup> Street and Shartel.

Commissioner Freeman stated he is having trouble understanding. He stated to Ms. Morrow that she was asking for installation of three-way stop signs at NW 18<sup>th</sup> and Shartel Avenue and then she wanted to eliminate any right turns for northbound traffic onto Shartel Avenue. Commissioner Freeman said his question was what is the problem if you have three-way stop signs at that intersection with traffic turning right to go north on Shartel Avenue. He asked her if she was trying to keep traffic off of Shartel Avenue period.

Ms. Morrow stated it is used as a thoroughfare.

Commissioner Freeman stated yes of course, that's what most streets are for.

Ms. Morrow stated but it goes right through a neighborhood park and especially at NW 19<sup>th</sup> Street and Shartel Avenue a lot of children cross there. She stated a lot of children cross where the trolley park is also. She stated a lot of that downtown traffic comes through and tries to get to NW 23<sup>rd</sup> Street as fast as they can. She stated maybe it should be no right turn during rush hour.

Commissioner Gonzales stated he was there this morning. He stated he drove around the whole neighborhood this morning. He stated the signs that Ms. Morrow requested are needed, but he can't see putting no right turn on Shartel Avenue which would prevent people going to and from their homes to downtown.

Ms. Morrow stated the downtown traffic going both north and south on Shartel Avenue is a real difficulty.

Commissioner Gonzales stated the way the street turns a little bit is the way it was designed so he doesn't see how they can approve a no right turn at that intersection.

- MOTION by Commissioner Gonzales and SECOND by Commissioner Pilate to APPROVE Items 1, 2 & 3 and DENY Item 4. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

I. Council Response Team (Ward 7).

Consider the installation of traffic signals at the following locations:

1. Fox Hollow Ridge Road and Memorial Road
2. Eastern Avenue and Oaks Way

Ms. Dees stated this has been to Traffic Commission three months in a row. Staff is recommending approval of Item 1 and denial of Item 2. Ms. Dees stated she talked to the president of the homeowner's association and that is also his recommendation. He also requested there be some changes in the speed limits and he will be writing a letter on that so it can be presented to the Traffic Commission next month. Staff recommends approval of Item 1 and denial of Item 2.

Chairman Harrell asks if there is anyone there to speak on this item.

- MOTION by Commissioner Pilate and SECOND by Commissioner Freeman to APPROVE Item 1 and DENY Item 2. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

- J. Loy Little and Council Support Staff. (Ward 7)  
Consider lowering the speed limit on Memorial Road between Eastern Avenue and Bryant Avenue, from 50 mph to 40 mph.

Ms. Dees reported that the 85 percentile speed checks do not support the lowering of the speed limit. Staff recommends denial.

Chairman Harrell asks if there is anyone there to speak on this item.

- MOTION by Commissioner Pilate and SECOND by Commissioner Miller to DENY Item VI.J. with Selective Enforcement. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

- K. Thomas and Peggy Brennan, 13821 N. Everest Avenue, Edmond, 73013. (Ward 7)  
Consider the installation of three-way stop signs at the following locations:
1. Everest Avenue and Northgate Terrace, and;
  2. Everest Avenue and Jeffery Drive.

Ms. Dees reported that these locations do not meet the minimum residential warrants for three-way stop signs. Staff would recommend the applicants work with Staff in conducting a neighborhood traffic study. Staff recommends this be deferred for a neighborhood traffic study.

Peggy Brennan, 13821 N. Everest Avenue, Edmond, 73013. She stated she has been at this residence since 1973. She stated out of 100 surveys 15% responded. She stated 100% of those that responded did comment on excessive speed and excessive travel because it is being used as a thoroughfare from Memorial Road back to Broadway Extension. She stated some of the increased traffic is due to Ford Motor Company using it as a road going down to 7-11 to test drive or gas up. She stated the other problem most of the residents believe is due to occupants of an apartment complex behind the Ford Motor Company. She stated they only have one entrance, the same for entry and exit to their apartments because Crossings petitioned and prohibited a street going through their neighborhood. She stated it is her understanding that there was some enforcement and tickets were given for speeding. She stated there were traffic counters put in several locations in the neighborhood and asked if those results were in yet.

Ms. Dees stated yes. She said those show low volume on most all of it. She stated at Everest Avenue and Jeffery Drive north/south was 938 average daily traffic, which in the 900's is average neighborhood traffic. She stated the rest of them were under 500. She stated the speed study did not indicate any speeding problem. She stated at that same location the 85 percentile was 27 mph, so it does not indicate that there is a speeding problem there either.

Ms. Brennan thanks Ms. Dees.

Commissioner Pilate moves to defer Item VI.K. for a neighborhood association study and asks Ms. Brennan if she is the neighborhood association president.

Ms. Brennan stated they do not have a neighborhood association. She stated they have tried to establish one for several years. She stated quite a few of the people that responded to her were women and men in their 70's and 80's and have been there since the 1960's and they're original homeowners. She stated many of the houses are renters, so there is only a small group of them that are interested.

Ms. Dees stated to Ms. Brennan that Viren Chandra would give her a card and work with her to help conduct a neighborhood study.

- MOTION by Commissioner Pilate and SECOND by Commissioner Miller to DEFER Item VI.K. for a neighborhood traffic study. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.

- MOTION CARRIES.

- L. Wiley N. Cook, PE, Wiley N. Cook & Associates, Inc., PO Box 721363, 73172. (Ward 8)  
Consider changing the existing east/west stop signs to four-way stop signs at the intersection of County Line Road and NW 122<sup>nd</sup> Street.

Ms. Dees reported this location does not meet the MUTCD 2000 warrants for multi-way stop signs. Staff recommends denial.

Chairman Harrell asks if there is anyone there to speak on this item.

Commissioner Freeman stated he was out there today and spent some time. He stated there was very little traffic at that intersection and he certainly concurs with Staff and move denial of this request for a four-way stop sign.

- MOTION by Commissioner Freeman and SECOND by Commissioner Pilate and Commissioner Miller to DENY Item VI.L. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.

- MOTION CARRIES.

- M. Betty Raines, 12201 Royal Coach Drive, Yukon, 73099. (Ward 8)  
Consider the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Surrey Hills Boulevard and NW Expressway.

Ms. Dees reported this location meets MUTCD 2000 warrants #2 and #3 for traffic signals. Staff would recommend the study for a traffic signal at the intersection of Mustang Road and NW Expressway. Staff recommends consideration.

Betty Raines, 12201 Royal Coach Drive, Yukon. She stated they have a problem with a lot of speed on NW Expressway. She stated a request she made was placed on the docket two months ago and 3-4 weeks ago they had a fatality at Surrey Hills Boulevard and NW Expressway. She stated she also understands from their firemen that they had a bad accident probably four or five days later at the second entrance to Surrey Hills. She stated they are asking for a traffic light hopefully at Surrey Hills Boulevard and NW Expressway.

Commissioner Freeman stated he is familiar with that area. He stated he travels NW Highway a lot and tells Ms. Dees he noticed the existing speed limit shows to be 55 mph, but it is actually 65 mph at that location. He stated in his opinion it is a very dangerous situation with the citizens there trying to get out onto NW Highway with the high rate of speed on that highway. He stated he is going to recommend that a traffic signal at that location be approved, but there is an additional problem. He stated it appears to him that the Traffic Division should place a sign warning motorists of a traffic signal ahead. He stated that is the main entrance and exit to the NW Highway out of Surrey Hills. He stated there is a bank on the corner. He stated there are people going in and out of there to the golf course as well as residences, and he understands that there have been a lot of vandalism problems out in that area, on the golf course particularly.

He stated just recently on the golf course hole #9, some youth from Edmond decided to go out with his truck and see how much he could tear it up. He stated there was this fatality accident and he is passing around a copy of the newspaper that has a picture of the accident on it. He stated he thinks it is needed and he moves the approval of a traffic signal at that location, accompanied with warning signs of a traffic signal ahead.

- MOTION by Commissioner Freeman and SECOND by Commissioner Gonzales to APPROVE Item VI.M. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

Commissioner Tow stated he has a question on that. He stated since that is a state highway was there any way to get some assistance on that and maybe move it forward.

Ms. Dees stated they will definitely contact the Department of Transportation and work with them on this and see if there is assistance available.

Commissioner Freeman asked if that was a requirement since it is a state highway.

Ms. Dees stated yes.

Commissioner Freeman stated this requires some concurrence with ODOT, so we'll do what we can do.

Commissioner Miller stated there was also a second item on there about a study for a traffic signal at Mustang Road and NW Highway as well.

Ms. Dees stated Staff felt they should do the two studies together to determine where the signal would best work out for the NW Expressway.

Commissioner Miller stated so it wasn't a second traffic signal.

Ms. Dees stated it will be one or the other, but they will continue with that study also and keep everyone informed.

- N. Public Works Department. (Ward 6)  
Consider the removal of the existing traffic signal and the installation of a roundabout at the intersection of Walker Avenue, Classen Drive and NW 10<sup>th</sup> Street, and the restriction of parking in all directions.

Ms. Dees reported that Public Works Department and Traffic Management have been working with Johnson & Associates to work on a new design for this area. She stated they approved changing the one way streets to two way streets through the Traffic Commission a short time ago, and now they're trying to implement that approval. She stated this is part of those plans and a representative from Johnson & Associates is present to give a presentation.

Dennis Haikin, Johnson & Associates, 100 E. California, Oklahoma City. He stated Johnson & Associates was retained by the City of Oklahoma City to prepare plans and specifications for the streetscape project, which includes NW 10<sup>th</sup> Street from Classen Boulevard to Broadway, Classen Drive from NW 10<sup>th</sup> Street to NW 13<sup>th</sup> Street, and Walker Avenue from Robert S. Kerr to NW 13<sup>th</sup> Street. He stated the project consists of improving the roadway, drainage, installing landscape and basically dressing up the area which runs through the mid-town area. He stated this aspect of this is for traffic concerns. He stated they are in the process of preparing a preliminary report which will be finalized shortly. He stated the report the Commission has in front of them concerns the traffic aspects of that project. He stated they're recommendation is to remove the traffic signal at the intersection of Classen Drive, Walker Avenue and NW 10<sup>th</sup> Street and install a roundabout, and to restrict parking in that area from approximately 225 feet from the center of the proposed roundabout in all directions.

Chairman Harrell asks if anyone has any questions.

Commissioner Gonzales asked if there was anyone there opposed to this roundabout.

- MOTION by Commissioner Gonzales and SECOND by Commissioner Freeman to APPROVE Item VI.N. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate, Freeman and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.

**VII. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

**VIII. REPORTS FROM TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION COMMITTEES**

Commissioner Tow stated he would like to remind everybody that school is back in session so be on your guard and watch the school crossings.

Commissioner Miller has no report.

Commissioner Clayton has no report.

Commissioner Nix has no report.

Commissioner Gonzales has no report.

Commissioner Pilate has no report.

Commissioner Freeman apologizes that he missed the sub-committee before the last meeting, but he was in Florida and couldn't make it. He stated he would like someone to enlighten him as to what happened in that sub-committee meeting.

Ms. Dees stated that sub-committee meeting was dealing with vehicles for hire and they actually looked into the feasibility of having vehicles for hire and they recommended that they send that application back to Council so it did not go to Traffic Commission itself and it has sense been approved by Council.

Commissioner Pilate stated she would like to thank Ms. Dees for checking on the spelling for her. She stated the street is KELLEY.

Ms. Dees stated they will take care of checking all the signs and make sure all of them are the correct spelling.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT.**

- MOTION by Commissioner Pilate and SECOND by Commissioner Freeman to Adjourn. MOTION was APPROVED by the following votes: Ayes, Commissioners Tow, Miller, Harrell, Nix, Gonzales, Pilate and Clayton.
- MOTION CARRIES.